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Introduction

Let $E_{[k]}$ denote the set of germs of C^k mappings $f: (R^n, 0) \rightarrow (R^p, 0)$. Given a jet $z \in J^r(n, p)$, we say that $f \in E_{[r+s]}$, $s > 0$, is a realization of z if $j^r f(0) = z$. z is C^0 -sufficient in $E_{[r+s]}$ if all realizations are C^0 equivalent. That is, if f and g are realizations of z in $E_{[r+s]}$, then there exists a germ of a homeomorphism $h: (R^n, 0) \rightarrow (R^n, 0)$ such that $f = goh$. In [11] Thom conjectures that if z is not sufficient, then z admits an infinite number of realizations which are not topologically equivalent. When $p = 1$, and we consider C^0 -sufficiency in $E_{[r]}$ and $E_{[r+1]}$, this is proved in [3]. On the other hand, Thom's conjecture becomes false when we consider sufficiency in $E_{[r+s]}$, $s > 1$. In [6], there is given an example of a $z \in J^6(2, 1)$ for which all realizations in $E_{[8]}$ fall into two distinct C^0 equivalent classes.

In the case $p = 1$, C^0 -sufficiency in $E_{[r]}$ (resp. $E_{[r+1]}$) is equivalent with v -sufficiency in $E_{[r]}$ (resp. $E_{[r+1]}$). (See [1].) Recall that a jet $z \in J^r(n, p)$ is v -sufficient in $E_{[r+s]}$ if the set germs $f^{-1}(0)$, $g^{-1}(0)$ are homeomorphic for any two C^{r+s} realizations f and g . Hence when $p = 1$, Thom's conjecture is proved by showing that if $z \in J^r(n, 1)$ is not v -sufficient in $E_{[r]}$ (resp. $E_{[r+1]}$), then it admits an infinite number of realizations having non homeomorphic zero-sets.

In the case $p > 1$, a jet $z \in J^r(n, p)$ can be v -sufficient and still not C^0 -sufficient. Hence the proof of Thom's conjecture

of non-sufficiency in $E_{[r]}$ or $E_{[r+1]}$ does not carry automatically over from $p = 1$ to $p > 1$. In §1 of this paper we will give a proof of this conjecture also for $p > 1$. Here we follow an idea inspired by Wilson [16], to use Whitney Extension Theorem to construct certain realizations of a non-sufficient jet. Compare this with the proof in case $p = 1$ ([3]), which is of more analytic nature.

In [9], it is proven that certain characterizations of v -sufficiency is equivalent with some regularity conditions for stratifications. This gives a geometric explanation of the example in [6]. In §2 we will define analogue conditions, which will be relevant for C^0 -sufficiency when $p > 1$, and prove corresponding results.

§1. Non sufficiency in $E_{[r]}$, $E_{[r+1]}$ when $p > 1$.

Let us first recall some results about sufficiency of jets which are proved in [2]. Let $z \in J^r(n, p)$, and consider z as a polynomial mapping $z = (z_1, \dots, z_p) : (R^n, 0) \rightarrow (R^p, 0)$ of degree r . Let $d(\text{Grad } z_i(x), \sum_{i \neq j} R \text{ Grad } z_j(x))$ denote the distance from $\text{Grad } z_i(x)$ to the linear subspace in R^n spanned by the $\text{Grad } z_j(x)$'s, $j \neq i$. Put $d(\text{Grad } z_1(x), \dots, \text{Grad } z_i(x)) = \min d(\text{Grad } z_i(x), \sum_{i \neq j} R \text{ Grad } z_j(x))$. Then the following theorem is proved in [2].

Theorem (Bochnak, Kucharz [2]). Let $z \in J^r(n, p)$ be a jet with a critical point at 0.

A The following conditions are equivalent.

- i) z is sufficient in $E_{[r]}$
- ii) $\exists C, \epsilon > 0$ such that

$$d(\text{Grad } z_1(x), \dots, \text{Grad } z_p(x)) > C \|x\|^{r-1} \text{ for } \|x\| < \epsilon.$$
- iii) $\forall f \in E_{[r]}$ with $j^r f(0) = z$, 0 is an isolated critical point of f .

B The following conditions are equivalent.

i) z is sufficient in $E_{[r+1]}$.

ii) $\exists C, \delta, \epsilon > 0$ such that

$$d(\text{Grad } z_1(x), \dots, \text{Grad } z_p(x)) > C \|x\|^{r-\delta} \quad \text{for } \|x\| < \epsilon.$$

Note that in [2] part A of the theorem above is announced for jets with $j^1 z(0) = 0$. The proof, however, is valid for all z which have critical point at 0.

Now let us announce the main result of this section:

Theorem 1 Assume $z \in J^r(n, p)$ is not C^0 -sufficient in $E_{[r]}$ (resp. $E_{[r+1]}$). Then there exists a sequence $\{f_k\}$ with $f_k \in E_{[r]}$ (resp. $f_k \in E_{[k+1]}$), and $j^r f_k(0) = z$, such that f_k and f_j are not C^0 equivalent when $k \neq j$.

Remark. When $n < p$, any jet $z \in J^r(n, p)$ is not sufficient. If $n > p$, and $z \in J^1(n, p)$, is not sufficient, then z is not surjective. In both these cases, it follows that $\text{im } z$ has measure zero in R^p , and it is possible to construct a sequence $\{f_k\}$ of mappings realizing z , with $\text{im } f_k \neq \text{im } f_j$, when $k \neq j$. This will show that Theorem 1 is true also in these cases. We will, however, omit the proof of this, and stick to the case $n > p$, and $r > 1$.

Let us first prove Theorem 1 in the case $E_{[r]}$. We will start by proving a lemma, which is a C^r version of Wilson's Lemma 3.3 in [16]. First identify $J^r(n, p)$ with a Euclidean space in an obvious way.

Lemma 1 Let $\{x_i\}$, $x_i \neq 0$, be a sequence in R^n converging to 0, and let $\{(y_i, z_i)\}$ be a sequence in $R^p \times J^r(n, p)$ such that $y_i = o(\|x_i\|^r)$, $z_i = o(\|x_i\|^{r-1})$. Then there exists a C^r -map $h : R^n \rightarrow R^p$ such that $j^r h(0) = 0$, and $(h(x_i), j^r h(x_i)) = (y_i, z_i)$ holds for a subsequence of $\{x_i\}$.

The proof of this lemma is almost a copy of the proof of Lemma 3.3 in [16]. Since this is not yet published, we will give the details.

Proof of Lemma 1. By passing to a subsequence if necessary, we may assume that for $i, j, j > i$ we have: $\|x_i\| < 2\|x_i - x_j\|, \|x_j\| < \|x_i\|$. Let $K = \{0\} \cup \bigcup_i \{x_i\}$. Then $\{(y_i, z_i)\}$ defines a Taylorfield on $\{x_i\}$, which we extend to K by adding the zero series at 0. Call this field $F = (F^k)_{|k| \leq r}$. We will prove that F is a C^r Whitney-field. Then the lemma follows from Whitney's Extension Theorem. (Here and throughout the article we will use the notation, and results in [12] concerning Whitney fields.)

Let $k = (k_1, \dots, k_n), |k| \leq r$, denote any multiindex. We have to prove that

$$(R_x^r F)^k(y) = F^k(y) - D^k \circ T_x^r F(y) = o(\|x-y\|^{r-|k|}) \text{ when } x, y \in K.$$

Note that since $y_i = o(\|x_i\|^r), z_i = o(\|x_i\|^{r-1})$ and $\|x\| \leq 2\|x-y\|$ if $x, y \in K$, we have that

$$F^0(x) = o(\|x-y\|^r) \text{ and } F^k(x) = o(\|x-y\|^{r-1}) \text{ if } |k| > 0.$$

It follows that

$$(R_x F)^0(y) = F^0(y) - \sum_{|\ell| \leq r} \frac{F^\ell(x)}{\ell!} (y-x)^\ell = o(\|x-y\|^r).$$

When $|k| > 0$ we have that

$$(R_x F)^k = F^k(y) - \sum_{|\ell| \leq r-|k|} \frac{F^{k+\ell}(x)}{\ell!} (y-x)^\ell = o(\|x-y\|^{r-1}).$$

This shows that F is a Whitney field, hence the lemma follows.

Now let us assume that $z \in J^r(n, p)$ is not sufficient. It follows that there exists a sequence $\{x_i\}$ tending to 0, such that $d(\text{Grad } z_1(x_i), \dots, \text{Grad } z_p(x_i)) = o(\|x_i\|^{r-1})$. Let $\mathcal{J} \subset J^1(n, p)$ be

the set of singular jets. It is easy to see that

$d(\text{Grad } z_1(x_i), \dots, \text{Grad } z_p(x_i)) < d(j^1 z(x_i), \Sigma)$ (the distance from $j^1 z(x_i)$ to Σ). Consider the set $(\pi_1^2)^{-1}(\Sigma)$, where

$\pi_1^2 : J^2(n, p) \rightarrow J^1(n, p)$ is the canonical projection. In the set $(\pi_1^2)^{-1}(\Sigma)$, the Boardmanstratum $\Sigma^{(n-p+1, 0)}$ is of codimension 0, but all other Boardmanstrata have greater codimension. This follows from the formula of the codimension of the Boardmanstratum given in [10].

It follows that $\Sigma^{(n-p+1, 0)}$ is open and dense in $(\pi_1^2)^{-1}(\Sigma)$. Let $\pi_2^r : J^r(n, p) \rightarrow J^2(n, p)$ be the canonical projection. It follows from above that the set $W = (\pi_2^r)^{-1}(\Sigma^{(n-p+1, 0)})$ is open and dense in $(\pi_1^r)^{-1}(\Sigma)$. The jets in $(\pi_2^r)^{-1}(\Sigma^{(n-p+1, 0)})$ are folds, which have a normal form given in [5] p. 88. From this follows that they are not C^0 equivalent with submersions.

Now, since $d(j^1 z(x_i), \Sigma) = o(\|x_i\|^{r-1})$, it follows that we can find a sequence $\{z_i\}$ in $J^r(n, p)$ such that $z_i = o(\|x_i\|^{r-1})$, and $j^r z(x_i) + z_i \in W$. By Sard's Theorem, find a sequence $\{y_i^1\}$ in \mathbb{R}^p such that $y_i^1 = o(\|x_i\|^r)$, and $y_i^1 + z(x_i)$ is a regular value for z . By Lemma 1, we can find a C^r mapping $h_1 : (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ such that $j^r h_1(0) = 0$, and $(h_1(x_i), j^r h_1(x_i)) = (y_i^1, z_i)$ holds on a subsequence of $\{x_i\}$, which we still denote by $\{x_i\}$. Put $f_1 = z + h_1$. Since $f_1(x_i) = y_i^1 + z(x_i)$, f_1 is a fold around x_i , and $y_i^1 + z(x_i)$ is a regular value for z , it follows that z and f_1 are not C^0 equivalent. To end the proof assume we have constructed realizations f_1, \dots, f_k of z which are not C^0 equivalent. By repeating the arguments above, find a sequence $\{y_i^{k+1}\}$ in \mathbb{R}^p such that $y_i^{k+1} = o(\|x_i\|^r)$, and $z(x_i) + y_i^{k+1}$ is a regular value for f_1, \dots, f_k . Then find a C^r mapping f_{k+1} such that $j^r f_{k+1}(0) = z$, and $(f_{k+1}(x_i), j^r f_{k+1}(x_i)) = (z(x_i) + y_i^{k+1}, j^r z(x_i) + z_i)$, on a subsequence of $\{x_i\}$. It follows that f_{k+1} is not C^0 right equivalent with any f_i , $i < k$. In this way we can construct the sequence $\{f_k\}$, and prove Theorem 1 in the case $E[r]$.

To prove Theorem 1 in the case $E_{[r+1]}$, it is enough to construct a realization f of z in $E_{[r+1]}$, such that 0 is not an isolated critical point. From the theorem of Bochnak, Kucharz follows that $j^{r+1}f(0)$ is not sufficient in $E_{[r+1]}$, and from above follows that we can construct an infinite number of not equivalent C^{r+1} realizations of $j^{r+1}f(0)$, which also are C^{r+1} realizations of z . To find such a f we need a lemma:

Lemma 2. Let $\{x_i\}$, $x_i \neq 0$, be a sequence of points in R^n converging to 0 . Let $\alpha : \{x_i\} \rightarrow R$ be a function for each j , $1 \leq j \leq n$, such that $\alpha_j(x_i) = O(\|x_i\|^r)$. Then there exists a C^{r+1} function $f: R^n \rightarrow R$ such that $j^r f(0) = 0$, and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(x_i) = \alpha_j(x_i)$ holds for a subsequence of $\{x_i\}$.

Proof. Let $x_i = (x_i^1, \dots, x_i^n)$. By passing to a subsequence if necessary, we can assume that $\left\{ \frac{\alpha_j^j(x_i)}{\|x_i\|^r} \right\}, \left\{ \frac{x_i^j}{\|x_i\|} \right\} \quad j = 1, \dots, n$ are convergent sequences.

Put $\alpha_j = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha_j(x_i)}{\|x_i\|^r}$, $v_j = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_i^j}{\|x_i\|}$, and $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$,

$v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$. Since $v \neq 0$ assume that $v_1 \neq 0$.

Since $\{x_i\}$ is convergent to 0 , it is not hard to see that it is possible to choose a subsequence of $\{x_i\}$ such that the following holds:

For each $n \in N$ we can find $N_n \in N$ such that if x_i, x_q are in the subsequence, and $q > i > N_n$, we have:

$$*) \quad \left| \frac{\|x_i\|}{\|x_i - x_q\|} - 1 \right| < \frac{1}{n}, \quad \frac{\|x_q\|}{\|x_i - x_q\|} < \frac{1}{n},$$

and either the j 'th component of the subsequence are identically

zero or

$$**) \quad \left| \frac{x_i^j}{x_i^j - x_q^j} - 1 \right| < \frac{1}{n}, \quad \left| \frac{x_q^j}{x_i^j - x_q^j} \right| < \frac{1}{n}.$$

Let us still denote this subsequence by $\{x_i\}$. Put $K = \{0\} \cup \bigcup_i \{x_i\}$. We will define a Taylorfield on K and show that it is a Whitney-field.

To define the Taylorfield $F = (F^k)_{|k| \leq r+1}$ on K , consider first the multiindexes

$$\begin{aligned} k^1 &= (r+1, 0, \dots, 0) \\ &\vdots \\ k^j &= (r, 0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0) \quad (1 \text{ at } j\text{'th place}) \\ &\vdots \\ k^n &= (r, 0, \dots, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

Put

$$F^{k^1}(0) = \frac{r! \alpha_1}{(v_1)^r} - \sum_{j=2}^p \frac{r! \alpha_j v_j}{(v_1)^{r+1}}$$

and

$$F^{k^j}(0) = \frac{r! \alpha_j}{(v_1)^r}, \quad \text{when } j = 2, \dots, n.$$

For all other multiindexes put $F^k(0) = 0$.

Define

$$P(x) = P^0(x) = \sum_{|k| \leq r+1} \frac{F^k(0)}{k!} x^k$$

and

$$P^k(x) = D^k P(x) \quad \text{for each } x, |k| \leq r+1.$$

At last, if $k = (j) = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)$ (1 at j 'th place), put

$$F^k(x_i) = \alpha^j(x_i)$$

and put

$$F^k(x_i) = P^k(v) \|x_i\|^{r+1-|k|}$$

otherwise.

To prove that F is a Whitneyfield we have to show that

$$\frac{(R_x^{r+1} F)^k(y)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} = \frac{F^k(y) - D^k \circ T_x^{r+1} F(y)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} \rightarrow 0,$$

when $x, y \in K$ and $\|x-y\| \rightarrow 0$. This will follow from calculating some limits. These calculations will mostly be based on the inequalities *) and **) above.

Assume first that we consider points $x, y \in K$ with $x = x_i$, $y = x_q$ and $q > i$.

We have that

$$\frac{F^k(y)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} = \begin{cases} p^k(v) \left(\frac{\|x_q\|}{\|x_i - x_q\|} \right)^{r+1-|k|}, & \text{when } k \neq l. \\ \frac{\alpha^j(x_q)}{\|x_i - x_q\|^r} = \frac{\alpha^j(x_q)}{\|x_q\|^r} \left(\frac{\|x_q\|}{\|x_i - x_q\|} \right)^r, & \text{when } k = (j). \end{cases}$$

Because $\frac{\|x_q\|}{\|x_i - x_q\|} \rightarrow 0$ when $i, q \rightarrow \infty$ and $\frac{\alpha^j(x_q)}{\|x_q\|^r}$ is bounded, we have

that $\frac{F^k(y)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} \rightarrow 0$ when $|k| \neq r+1$ for such points x, y .

When $|k| = r+1$ we have that $\frac{F^k(y)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} = p^k(v)$. Since $p^k(0) = 0$

when $|k| < r+1$, and $p^k(0) = p^k(v)$ for $|k| = r+1$, we conclude

that $\frac{F^k(y)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} \rightarrow p^k(0)$ when $\|x-y\| \rightarrow 0$.

On the other hand we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D^k \circ T_x^{r+1} F(y)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} &= \frac{\sum_{0 \leq |\ell| \leq r+1-|k|} \frac{1}{\ell!} F^{\ell+k}(x_i) (x_q - x_i)^\ell}{\|x_i - x_q\|^{r+1-|k|}} = \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq |\ell| \leq r+1-|k|} \frac{F^{\ell+k}(x_i)}{\ell! \|x_i - x_q\|^{r+1-|\ell|-|k|}} \frac{(x_q - x_i)^\ell}{\|x_i - x_q\|^{|\ell|}}. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that $\frac{(x_q - x_i)^\ell}{\|x_i - x_q\|^{|\ell|}} \rightarrow (-v)^\ell$ when $i, q \rightarrow \infty$.

We also have that for $|\ell+k| \neq 1$, then

$$\frac{F^{\ell+k}(x_i)}{\|x_i - x_q\|^{r+1-|\ell|-|k|}} = \frac{P^{\ell+k}(v) \|x_i\|^{r+1-|\ell|-|k|}}{\|x_i - x_q\|^{r+1-|\ell|-|k|}} \rightarrow P^{\ell+k}(v) \text{ when } i, q \rightarrow \infty. \text{ When } \ell+k = (j) \text{ we have that}$$

$$\frac{F^{\ell+k}(x_i)}{\|x_i - x_q\|^{r+1-|\ell|-|k|}} = \frac{\alpha_j(x_i) \|x_i\|^r}{\|x_i\|^r \|x_i - x_q\|^r} \rightarrow \alpha_j$$

when $i, q \rightarrow \infty$. It is easily seen that $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x_j}(v) = \alpha_j$, hence when $\|x-y\| \rightarrow 0$ we have that

$$\frac{D^{k \circ T}_x^{r+1} F(y)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} \rightarrow \sum_{0 < |\ell| < r+1-|k|} \frac{P^{\ell+k}(v)}{\ell!} (-v)^\ell = P^k(0)$$

because P is analytic.

$$\text{Hence } \frac{(R_x^{r+1} F)(y)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} \rightarrow P^k(0) - P^k(0) = 0 \text{ when } \|x-y\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ and}$$

$$x = x_i, y = x_q \quad q > i.$$

If we interchange x and y , considerations similar to those above give that

$$\frac{F^k(x)}{\|y-x\|^{r+1-|k|}} \rightarrow P^k(v) \text{ and } \frac{D^{k \circ T}_y^{r+1} F(x)}{\|y-x\|^{r+1-|k|}} \rightarrow P^k(v)$$

when $\|x-y\| \rightarrow 0$. Hence $\frac{(R_y^{r+1})^k(x)}{\|x-y\|^{r+1-|k|}} \rightarrow 0$ when $\|x-y\| \rightarrow 0$ in this case too. The case where x or y is 0 can be treated in a similar manner. This proves that F is a Whitneyfield, and the lemma follows from Whitney Extension Theorem.

Now let us end the proof of Theorem 1 in the case $E_{[r+1]}$. Put

$$h_i(x) = d(\text{Grad} z_i(x), \bigcup_{i \neq j} \mathbb{R} \text{Grad} z_j(x)). \text{ Since } z \text{ is not}$$

sufficient in $E_{[r+1]}$, we can assume that for each $\delta > 0$ there exists a sequence $\{x_i\}$ tending to 0 such that $h_1(x_i) = o(\|x_i\|^{r-\delta})$. Note that by [7] p.118, $(h_1)^2$ is a bounded rational function. It follows from the Tarski-Seidenberg Theorem that the set

$V = \{(u,v) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (u,v) = ((h_1)^2(x), \|x\|^2), x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$ is semialgebraic. It is not hard to see that the set $\{(u,v) \in V \mid u = \min_{\|w\|^2=v} (h_1)^2(x) \} - \{0\}$ is a component of $(V-V^0) - \{0\}$, hence

semialgebraic. It follows from the Curve Selection Lemma that there exists an analytic arc $\beta: [0, \varepsilon] \rightarrow V$ such that $\beta(0) = 0$ and $\beta(t) \in \{x \mid h_1(x) = \min_{\|w\|=\|x\|} h_1(w)\}$. Assume that $\|\beta(t)\| \sim t^q$ and that $|h_1(\beta(t))| \sim t^s$. (Note that from the expression of h_1 given in [7], it will follow that s is an integer.) From the theorem of Bochnak, Kucharz follows that $s/q > r$. Let $\{x_i\}$ be a sequence on $\beta([0, \varepsilon])$ converging to 0. Then we must have $h_1(x_i) = O(\|x_i\|^r)$. Now since $h_1(x_i) > d(j^1 z(x_i), \Sigma)$, it follows that we can find a sequence $\{z_i\}$ in $J^1(n, p)$ such that $z_i = O(\|x_i\|^r)$ and $j^1 z(x_i) + z_i \in \Sigma$.

Now apply Lemma 2 for the p components of z_i , to find a C^{r+1} map $h: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ such that $j^r h(0) = 0$, and $j^1 h(x_i) = z_i$ holds on a subsequence of $\{x_i\}$.

Put $f = z + h$. Then f is the desired realization of z with singular points on a subsequence of $\{x_i\}$. This completes the proof of Theorem 1 in the case $E_{[r+1]}$.

Remark. From the arguments above follows directly that sufficiency of z in $E_{[r+1]}$ is equivalent with the condition that every C^{r+1} realization of z admits 0 as an isolated critical point.

§ 2. Geometric conditions of sufficiency.

As in [9], consider $z \in J^r(n, p)$ as a polynomial map $z = (z_1, \dots, z_p): (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ of degree r , and define

$$F(x, \lambda) = (F_1(x, \lambda^{(1)}), \dots, F_p(x, \lambda^{(p)}))$$

where

$$F_i(x, \lambda^{(i)}) = z_i(x) + \sum_{|\alpha|=r} \lambda_\alpha^{(i)} x^\alpha, \quad 1 \leq i \leq p.$$

Consider the Euclidean space $\mathbb{R}^n \times \Lambda$ where Λ is formed by the $\lambda_\alpha^{(i)}$'s. As explained in [9], the $\text{Grad } F_i$'s, $1 \leq i \leq p$, are linearly independent at points $(x, \lambda) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \Lambda$ where $x \neq 0$. It follows that $F^{-1}(F(x, \lambda))$ is a manifold of codimension p for $x \neq 0$.

Now consider the following conditions:

(w_F) . There exists a neighbourhood U of 0 in $\mathbb{R}^n \times \Lambda$ and $C > 0$ such that for $(x, \lambda) \in U$, $x \neq 0$, we have

$$d(0 \times \Lambda, T_{(x, \lambda)} F^{-1}(F(x, \lambda))) \leq C \|x\|.$$

(Recall that when V, W are linear subspaces of \mathbb{R}^n then

$$d(V, W) = \sup_{\substack{v \in V \\ \|v\|=1}} \inf_{w \in W} \|v - w\|.)$$

(t_F^s) . Let M_s^n denote any C^s submanifold, $s \geq 1$, of $\mathbb{R}^n \times \Lambda$ of dimension n with $0 \in M_s^n$. Assume that M_s^n is transverse to $0 \times \Lambda$ at 0 , then there exists a neighbourhood U of 0 in $\mathbb{R}^n \times \Lambda$ such that when $(x, \lambda) \in U \cap M_s^n$, $x \neq 0$, then M_s^n is transverse to $F^{-1}(F(x, \lambda))$ at (x, λ) .

Note that the conditions (w_F) and (t_F^s) are generalizations of Verdiers Condition and the Trotman Condition (t^s) , (see [9]) where we also compare $0 \times \Lambda$ with the manifolds $F^{-1}(a)$, $a \neq 0$, in a neighbourhood of 0 .

Now we have:

Theorem 2. Let $z \in J^r(n, p)$ be an r jet. Assume $s \in \mathbb{N}$, $s \geq 1$. Then the following conditions below I and II are equi-
valent respectively.

I

- (i) z is C^0 sufficient in $E[r]$.
- (ii) The condition (w_F) is satisfied.

II

- (i) The condition (t_F^S) is satisfied.
- (ii) Any $w \in J^{r+s}(n,p)$ with $j^r w(0) = z$ is C^0 sufficient in $E[r+s]$.
- (iii) z admits only a finite number of C^{r+s} realizations which are not C^0 equivalent.
- (iv) Any C^{r+s} relazation f of z admits 0 as an isolated critical point.
- (v) For any family of C^S functions $\lambda_\alpha^{(i)}(x)$, $|\alpha| = r$, $1 \leq i \leq p$, $\lambda_\alpha^{(i)}(0) = 0$, the C^S mapping $F(x, \lambda(x))$ admits 0 as an isolated critical point.

Remark. Inspired by Theorem A in [9], the author was a while tempted to guess that sufficiency in $E[r+1]$ was equivalent with the condition (a_F) below, which is a generalization of the Whitney (a) condition.

(a_F) . Assume $\{(x_i, \lambda_i)\}$ is a sequence with $x_i \neq 0$ tending to 0 in $\mathbb{R}^n \times \Lambda$. Assume that $T_{(x_i, \lambda_i)} F^{-1}(F(x_i, \lambda_i)) \rightarrow \tau$ in the appropriate Grassmanian, then $\tau \supseteq 0 \times \Lambda$.

The equivalence between sufficiency in $E[r+1]$ and the condition (a_F) is however false. A counterexample is the following: Consider $z \in J^4(2,1)$, $z = x_1^3 - 3x_1x_2^3$. From calculations in [8] p. 228 it follows that z is sufficient in $E[5]$ but

not in $E[4]$. An easy calculation will show that (a_F) breaks down along the curve $x_1 = t^3$, $x_2 = t^2$, $\lambda_\alpha = 0$, for $\alpha \neq (0,4)$, and $\lambda_{(0,4)} = \frac{9}{4}t$. From this example it is also easy to construct counterexamples when $p > 1$. It is however possible to prove that (a_F) implies sufficiency in $E[r+1]$. We will here omit the details.

Let us now prove part I of Theorem 2. Let $N_i(x, \lambda) = \text{Grad} F_i(x, \lambda) - P_i(x, \lambda)$, where $P_i(x, \lambda)$ is the projection of $\text{Grad} F_i(x, \lambda)$ onto the linear space spanned by the $\text{Grad} F_j(x, \lambda)$'s $j \neq i$. Then, using formula (3.3) of [7], the distance from the unit vector $\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_\alpha}^{(i)}$ to the tangentspace $T_{(x, \lambda)} F^{-1}(F(x, \lambda))$ when $x \neq 0$ is

$$\delta_\alpha^{(i)}(x, \lambda) = \left\| \sum_{j=1}^p \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_\alpha}^{(i)} \cdot \text{Grad} F_j(x, \lambda) \frac{N_j(x, \lambda)}{\|N_j(x, \lambda)\|^2} \right\| = \frac{|x^\alpha|}{\|N_j(x, \lambda)\|}$$

To prove (i) \Rightarrow (ii) assume z is sufficient in $E[r]$. From the theorem of Bochnak, Kucharz follows that $d(\text{Grad} z_1(x), \dots, \text{Grad} z_p(x)) > C\|x\|^{r-1}$ for some $C > 0$ when $\|x\|$ is small. As in the proof of Lemma 4.3 [7], it follows that $d(\text{Grad} F_1(x, \lambda), \dots, \text{Grad} F_p(x, \lambda)) > \frac{C}{2}\|x\|^{r-1}$ in a sufficiently small neighbourhood of 0. Since $\|N_i\| > d(\text{Grad} F_1, \dots, \text{Grad} F_p)$, it follows that $\delta_\alpha^{(i)}(x, \lambda) < \frac{2}{C}\|x\|$. Since $0 \times \lambda$ is spanned by the orthonormal vectors $\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_\alpha}^{(i)}$, the condition (w_F) is satisfied.

To prove (ii) \Rightarrow (i) assume that x is not sufficient in $E[r]$. Then there exists a C^r function $h: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$, with $j^r h(0) = 0$ such that $f = z + h$ have a sequence $\{x_i\}$, of critical points tending to 0. Hence we can assume that on this sequence we have $\text{Grad} f_1 = \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad} f_j$ where the β_j 's are numbers with $|\beta_j| < 1$. Write $\text{Grad} F_j = (\text{Grad}_x F_j, \text{Grad}_\lambda F_j)$. It follows from a short calculation that

$$\text{Grad}_x F_1 = \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad}_x F_j + \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad } h_j - \text{Grad } h_1$$

on the sequence $\{(x_i, 0)\}$ in $\mathbb{R}^n \times \Lambda$. From this we get that:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Grad } F_1 &= (\text{Grad}_x F_1, \text{Grad}_\lambda F_1) \\ &= \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad } F_j + \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad } h_j - \text{Grad } h_1 \\ &\quad + \text{Grad}_\lambda F_1 - \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad}_\lambda F_j \end{aligned}$$

on the sequence $\{(x_i, 0)\}$. From this follows that:

$$\begin{aligned} \|N_1\| &= \|\text{Grad } F_1 - P_1\| \\ &\leq \left\| \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad } h_j - \text{Grad } h_1 + \text{Grad}_\lambda F_1 - \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad}_\lambda F_j \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

Now since $\|\text{Grad}_\lambda F_j\| = O(\|x\|^r)$, $\|\text{Grad } h_j\| = o(\|x\|^{r-1})$, $|\beta_j| < 1$, $1 < j < p$, it follows that $\|N_1\| = o(\|x\|^{r-1})$ on the sequence $\|(x_i, 0)\|$. From this it is clear that for some α , $|\alpha| = r$, $\frac{|x^\alpha|}{\|N_1\| \|x\|}$ is not bounded on $\{(x_i, 0)\}$. Since $\delta_\alpha^{(1)}(x_i, 0) = \frac{|x_i^\alpha|}{\|N_1(x_i)\|}$ is the distance from $\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda^{(1)}}_\alpha$ to $T_{(x_i, 0)} F^{-1}(F(x_i, 0))$ it follows that (w_F) fails along $\{(x_i, 0)\}$, proving (ii) \Rightarrow (i). Hence the proof of Theorem 2 part I is complete.

Part II of Theorem 2 is very similar to Theorem C in [9], and the proof is also very similar. We will only sketch it, pointing out the main differences from the proof of Theorem C. The proof of (i) \Rightarrow (v) is almost a copy of (C.1) \Rightarrow (C.5) in [9]. This is also the case for (i) \Rightarrow (ii) which is similar to (C.1) \Rightarrow (C.2). Note however that it is not necessary to have critical points along a Lojasiewicz arc, but only along a sequence tending to 0. To prove (ii) \Rightarrow (iii), note that (ii) implies that every $w \in J^{r+s}_{(n,p)}$ with $j^r w(0) = z$ admits 0 as an isolated critical point. In the terminology of [2]

p. 118 this means that $w \in J_{\Sigma}^{r+s}(n,p)$. From Theorem 4 of [2] follows that there exists a partition of $J_{\Sigma}^{r+s}(n,p)$ in finitely many connected analytic varieties such that the jets occurring in the same variety are C^0 equivalent. It follows that $J_{\Sigma}^{r+s}(n,p)$ consists of finitely many C^0 equivalence classes. This will imply (iii). (Compare this with the proof of (C.2) \Rightarrow (C.3) using Fukuda's Theorem. When $p > 1$ Fukuda's Theorem is not valid.)

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv) is similar to (C.3) \Rightarrow (C.4) using Theorem 1 in this article instead of the results in [3].

At last the proof of (iv) \Rightarrow (v) is similar to (C.4) \Rightarrow (C.5). The only obstacle is that we lack a theorem corresponding to Theorem A in [9]. (See the remark above.) From the remark below the proof of Theorem 1 in the case $E[r+1]$ follows however, that it is sufficient to prove that sufficiency in $E[r+1]$ implies the condition (v) when $s = 1$. To prove this, assume (v) fails for $z \in J^r(n,p)$. Then there exists a family of C^1 functions $\lambda_{\alpha}^{(j)}(x)$, $|\alpha| = r$, $1 < j < p$, and a sequence $\{x_i\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n tending to 0, such that $f(x) = F(x, \lambda(x))$ has critical points along $\{x_i\}$. Hence we can assume that for each i there exists numbers β_j , $2 < j < p$ with $|\beta_j| < 1$ such that

$$\text{Grad } f_1(x_i) = \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad } f_j(x_i)$$

where the f_j 's are the component functions of f . From this we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Grad}_x F_1 &= \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad}_x F_j + \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \sum_{\alpha} \frac{\partial F_j}{\partial \lambda_{\alpha}^{(j)}} \text{Grad } \lambda_{\alpha}^{(j)} \\ &\quad - \sum_{\alpha} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_{\alpha}^{(1)}} \text{Grad } \lambda_{\alpha}^{(1)} \text{ along } \{(x_i, \lambda(x_i))\}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that since the $\lambda_{\alpha}^{(j)}$'s are C^1 and $\lambda(0) = 0$, we have $\lambda_{\alpha}^{(j)}(x) = O(\|x\|)$. From this follows $\text{Grad}_x F_j = \text{Grad } z_j + O(\|x\|)^r$ along $(x_i, \lambda(x_i))$. Substituting this in the equality above, and using that

$\beta_j < 1$, $\|\text{Grad} \lambda_\alpha^{(j)}\|$ is bounded and that $\frac{\partial F_j}{\partial \lambda_\alpha^{(j)}}(x, \lambda) = O(\|x\|^r)$ we get that

$$\text{Grad } z_1 = \sum_{j=2}^p \beta_j \text{Grad } z_j + O(\|x\|^r)$$

From this follows that $d(\text{Grad} z_1, \dots, \text{Grad} z_p) = O(\|x\|^r)$ along $\{x_i\}$. It follows from the theorem of Bochnak, Kucharz that x is not sufficient in $E_{[r+1]}$. This completes the proof of (iv) \Rightarrow (v) and Theorem 2.

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